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### **MultiPlan Awards \$30,000 in Grants to Four Rural Hospitals**

MultiPlan, Inc. today announced the recipients of its 2015 Rural Health Outreach Grant.

This year's four grant recipients represent a diverse array of programs focused on improving the well being of people living in rural areas. Grant recipients will each receive \$7,500 to help them introduce or expand services, education, screenings and other endeavors that support the healthcare needs of people in their communities. These four awards bring the total amount awarded since the program's inception in 1995 to \$490,000.

The recipients of the 2015 MultiPlan Rural Health Outreach Grant are:

**Penn Highlands Brookville Hospital in Brookville, Pennsylvania.** This hospital is a member of Penn Highlands Healthcare and is designated as a Critical Access Hospital. Penn Highlands Brookville will use the grant money to establish a new primary health care "Q-Care Clinic," to provide routine comprehensive primary care services in the town of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

**Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville, Arkansas.** Howard Memorial is a non-profit 25-bed count Critical Access Hospital in Southwest Arkansas. The money granted to Howard Memorial will go toward funding its new facility which will provide therapy and treat the behavioral health needs of the elderly.

**North Texas Medical Center in Gainesville, Texas.** North Texas Medical Center is a 60-bed acute-care hospital. The hospital serves a community in which 25% of the patient population under the age of 18 is considered to be living in poverty. The hospital will use the grant funds to support its new Pediatric Therapy Program.

**Northern Cochise Community Hospital in Willcox, Arizona.** This 24-bed inpatient Critical Access Hospital is seeking Pediatric Prepared Emergency Care Certification, making it the only hospital within a 90-mile radius to hold such credentials. The hospital will be using the grant money to purchase equipment for its pediatric facility.

For more information about the MultiPlan Rural Health Outreach Grant and other programs that help support MultiPlan participating hospitals and the patients they serve, visit [www.multiplan.com/providers](http://www.multiplan.com/providers).

#### **About MultiPlan**

MultiPlan, Inc. is the industry's most comprehensive provider of healthcare cost management solutions. The company provides a single gateway to a host of network- and analytics-based solutions for managing the financial risks associated with healthcare claims as well as products that fight waste, abuse and fraud before payments are made. Clients include insurers, health plans, third party administrators, self-funded employers, HMOs and other entities that pay medical bills in the commercial healthcare, government, workers compensation and auto medical markets. MultiPlan is owned by an investment group led by Starr Investment Holdings and Partners Group.

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